

As the airwaves belong to us, we need to extend the regulation of those resources, and broaden the ownership pool of content providers. News coverage under the major broadcasters has been a joke; FOX news, for example, broadcasts nothing more than an extended rally, and works actively to erode public discourse. The other major news providers are barely differentiated from one another, and they are so beholden to advertisers that they are unwilling to actually engage in the national debates that ensure an informed citizenry. The local coverage of these stations is even worse; many news pieces are little more than infomercials for blockbuster movies owned by the parent corporations. I heartily disapprove of greater deregulation; indeed, we should be going the other way.